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HICOMTERPACIS: PASS TO STATUS LNO

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SUBJECT: MESSAGE TO CHAIRMEN KABUA AND TMETUCHL

1. STATUS LNO PLEASE PASS MESSAGE IN PARA 2 TO MIPSC
CHAIRMAN AMATA KABUA AND THAT IN PARA 3 TO PPSC CHAIRMAN
TMETUCHL BY MOST EXPEDITIOUS MEANS.

2. BEGIN TEXT. DEAR AMATA, PERMIT ME TO EXPRESS
MY PERSONAL APPRECIATION TO YOU AND THE OTHER MEMBERS
OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION
FOR YOUR HELPFUL AND CONSTRUCTIVE AGREEMENT TO A ONE-
WEEK DELAY IN OUR HEADS OF DELEGATIONS MEETING IN
HILO, HAWAII. YOUR ACTION AGAIN DEMONSTRATES THE
SPIRIT OF FLEXIBILITY AND UNDERSTANDING WHICH HAS
CHARACTERIZED YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE NEGOTIATION
PROCESS. WHEN IT CAME TO OUR ATTENTION THAT CHAIRMAN
AMARAICH WOULD BE UNABLE TO ATTEND A MARCH 30 MEETING
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BECAUSE OF A LONG-STANDING PRIOR COMMITMENT WE FELT
THAT THERE WAS NO ALTERNATIVE TO A POSTPONEMENT.
I REGRET VERY MUCH THE INCONVENIENCE WHICH THIS DELAY
HAS CAUSED THE MIPSC.

----I GREATLY LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AND OTHER
MEMBERS OF THE MIPSC AFTER OUR APRIL 6 ARRIVAL IN

HILO. I IMAGINE THAT YOU WILL BY THEN ALREADY BE INVOLVED IN A MEETING WITH THE OTHER COMMISSION CHAIRMEN, A MEETING WHICH THE U.S., AS ALWAYS, ENCOURAGES. WE BELIEVE THAT THE NEGOTIATION PROCESS IS FACILITATED AND EXPEDITED BY AGREEMENT AMONG THE CHAIRMEN ON THE GREATEST NUMBER OF SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES POSSIBLE.

----FINALLY, WE UNDERSTAND FROM YOUR COUNSEL THAT, IN ADDITION TO THE ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED AT OUR MEETING WITH ALL OF THE HEADS OF DELEGATIONS, YOUR COMMISSION WISHES TO DISCUSS SEVERAL ITEMS WITH THE U.S. DELEGATION SEPARATELY. WE WILL BE PLEASED TO MAKE SURE OUR SCHEDULE ALLOWS FOR THESE DISCUSSIONS.

----WITH APPRECIATION AND BEST PERSONAL REGARDS,
SINCERELY, PETER R. ROSENBLATT. END TEXT.

3. BEGIN TEXT. DEAR ROMAN, MR. BENNETT ADVISES THAT YOU HAVE AGREED TO ATTEND OUR HEADS OF DELEGATIONS MEETING IN HILO, HAWAII STARTING ON APRIL 7. PERMIT ME TO EXPRESS MY PERSONAL APPRECIATION TO YOU AND THE PALAU POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION FOR YOUR FLEXIBILITY IN ACCEPTING THE ONE WEEK DELAY. I'M AWARE OF THE EVENTS TAKING PLACE IN PALAU NEXT WEEK AND VERY MUCH REGRET THE INCONVENIENCE WHICH THIS DELAY CAUSES YOU
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AND THE PPSC. (BALANCE OF TEXT SAME AS SECOND AND FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS OF KABUA MESSAGE)

4. FOR STATUS LNO. LTCOL EVANS OF CINCPAC ADVISES THAT CONFERENCE ROOM IN HILO LAGOON HOTEL WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR ALL-MICRONESIA MEETING STARTING MORNING OF 5 APRIL. AMBASSADOR ROSENBLATT SENDS. COOPER

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